

Amendments to the Claims:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently amended) Cable conduit running longitudinally in a first direction and comprising at least one substantially U-shaped section that has a bottom and two lateral flanges, said substantially U-shaped section extending over a certain length parallel to said first direction between two open ends, and defining an open and unobstructed upper area, and over a certain width at right angle to the first direction, said length being larger than said width, said cable conduit delimiting an interior volume designed to accommodate pipes or lines running longitudinally in the first direction, said cable conduit comprising rigid lengthwise wires running substantially parallel to the first direction and rigid crosswise wires running substantially at right angles to the first direction, the crosswise wires being fixed to the lengthwise wires toward the interior volume of the cable conduit, and each crosswise wire comprising a base portion belonging to the bottom of the cable conduit and two lateral branches belonging respectively to each lateral flange of the cable conduit,

wherein at least the lengthwise wires belonging to the bottom of the cable conduit each comprise a succession of longitudinal portions connected by bends protruding away from the interior volume of the cable conduit, the bends of the lengthwise wires being designed to accommodate the base portions of the crosswise wires and being sized so that said base portions of the crosswise wires and the longitudinal portions of the lengthwise wires lie at substantially the same level.

2. (Previously presented) Cable conduit according to Claim 1, in which the longitudinal portions of the lengthwise wires are straight and parallel to the first direction.

3. (Previously presented) Cable conduit according to Claim 1, in which the base portions of the crosswise wires and the longitudinal portions of the lengthwise wires are arranged in substantially the same plane.

4. (Previously presented) Cable conduit according to Claim 1, in which the bends of the lengthwise wires each have a width, measured in the first direction, that substantially corresponds to the thickness of a crosswire wire.

5. (Previously presented) Cable conduit according to Claim 1, in which the bends of the lengthwise wires each have a width, measured in the first direction, that is greater than twice the thickness of a crosswise wire.

6. (Previously presented) Cable conduit according to Claim 5, in which the bends in the lengthwise wires each have a flat bottom.